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1. Communist China

Satellite photography taken on 20 April shows that two TU-16 medium bombers have been moved to an airfield some 145 miles northwest of the Lop Nor nuclear test site. A dozen MIG fighters are also at the field to provide protection. A new secure area is being added near the airstrip, very likely for handling the bomb when it arrives.

2. South Vietnam

There could be violence in Saigon tomorrow in connection with the traditional labor day parade there. The mayor is said to have warned the labor leaders that the city's security forces are on alert, anticipating that the parade might be turned into an anti-government demonstration.

Tam Chau and some other relatively moderate Buddhist leaders will be leaving shortly for a religious conference in Ceylon. With Tri Quang holed up in Hue, this means that Buddhist affairs in the capital will be in the hands of one of the more hard-line and undependable leaders. The embassy comments that this is not a reassuring prospect.

3. Colombia

Student disorders which began in midweek have spread and become more violent on the eve of the presidential elections tomorrow. They have taken an anti-US slant. For example, Bogota students yesterday held a "stone-in" on the road to the airport, pelting passing cars while listening to anti-US harangues.

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4. Dominican Republic

Garcia Godoy seems bent on securing the withdrawal of the Inter-American Peace Force prior to the 2 July inauguration of the new government. He is sending a personal envoy to all American chiefs of state with a letter on the subject.

He sees the removal of the force as necessary to complete his "mission" and assure his place in Dominican history. It would also be useful in the future if, as seems likely, Garcia Godoy continues to entertain political ambitions.

The provisional president's move will create difficulties for Bosch and could affect his plans for participating in the election. [REDACTED]

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5. Indonesia

The tide continues to run against Sukarno and Indonesia's leftists.

This week moderates seized control of the large Nationalist Party, long a refuge of extremists and Communists. The Communist Party has been, to all intents and purposes, driven underground and its effectiveness as a national political force reduced to nearly zero.

Government leaders have agreed to resume relations with the South Koreans and have initiated talks with U Thant about re-entering the UN.

On top of this, one of the principal generals yesterday made one of the strongest public pitches yet for the withdrawal of Sukarno's mandate. In effect, he called Sukarno's position as "President for Life" unconstitutional.

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6. Israel

Tensions with the Arabs are building up again. The Israeli Army carried out a pair of raids against Jordanian border villages last night in retaliation for Fatah terrorist activity mounted from the area. [REDACTED]

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Actions such as these have been carefully measured by Tel Aviv to secure the maximum effect on Israel's Arab neighbors, but there is always a danger that one will get out of hand some day.

7. France

De Gaulle, we are told, sees his June trip to the Soviet Union in its broad "historical" context. He has hopes that it will bring some movement toward his long-standing goal of a detente in Europe.

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